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ABSTRACT

THE FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THIS DOCUMENT (Except for the Evaluation Summary Table): VERSION: 1981. PRODUCER: Hartley Courseware, Inc., Box 431, Dimondale, Michigan 48821. EVALUATION COMPLETED: January, 1983 at the Clackamas County ESD in Milwaukie, Oregon. COST: $26.95. ABILITY LEVEL: Grades 2-6. SUBJECT: Language Arts. MEDIUM OF TRANSFER: 5-1/4" flexible disk, protected. REQUIRED HARDWARE: Apple, 48K, printer, 1 disk drive, monitor. REQUIRED SOFTWARE: Applesoft, DOS 3.3 or 3.2. INSTRUCTIONAL PURPOSE: Authoring. DOCUMENTATION AVAILABLE: In supplementary materials--program operating instructions, and teacher's information. INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVE: (INFERRED) To provide a means for teachers to generate their own word searches. INSTRUCTIONAL PREREQUISITES: None stated. CONTENT AND STRUCTURE: Program allows teacher to enter a series of words (22 maximum) to create a Wordsearch to the specifications of the user. Words can be hidden by overlapping letters or by spelling forward, backward, and/or diagonally. The words are printed with the search and a solution is printed if requested. POTENTIAL USES: Word Search produces puzzles either to introduce or reinforce vocabulary in any curricular area. MAJOR STRENGTHS; The program is well set up for this type of activity and is easy to use. MAJOR WEAKNESSES: None stated. EVALUATION SUMMARY: Evaluators indicated they would use or recommend use of this package with little or no change. (Author)

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EVALUATION SUMMARY

SA	A	D	SD	NA	
				•	Content is accurate.
				•	Content has educational value.
				•	Content is free of stereotypes.
	•				Purpose of package is well defined.
	•				Package achieves defined purpose.
				•	Content presentation is clear and logical.
				•	Difficulty level is appropriate to audience.
				•	Graphics/sound/color are used appropriately.
	•				Use of package is motivational.
	•				Student creativity is effectively stimulated.
				•	Feedback is effectively employed.

SA	A	D	SD	NA	
				•	Learner controls rate and sequence.
				•	Instruction integrates with prior learning.
	•				Learning can be generalized.
	•				User support materials are comprehensive.
	•				User support materials are effective.
				•	Information displays are effective.
				•	Users can operate easily and independently.
	•				Teachers can employ package easily.
	•				Computer capabilities are used appropriately.
	•				Program is reliable in normal use.

SA - Strongly Agree A - Agree D - Disagree SD - Strongly Disagree NA - Not Applicable

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This evaluation is based on the evaluations of three or more reviewers who are representative of potential users of the courseware package.

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